

Call for Papers

3RD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PATH DEPENDENCE

February 17-18, 2014

Freie Universität Berlin
School of Business & Economics

The theory of path dependence is attracting increasing attention. A considerable number of scholars have been using the theory for the study of historical imprints, escalating dynamics and organizational inertia in different fields and on different levels. The conference is organized by the Path Dependence Research Centre (Pfadkolleg) of the Freie Universität Berlin. It aims at providing a platform for the discussion of most recent path-related research. The discussions are expected to focus on issues of extending path theory as well as studies of path-dependent phenomena. Conceptual as well as empirical papers from different fields are welcome: organization theory, organizational behaviour, strategic management, human resource management, industrial relations, marketing, innovation and entrepreneurship. Apart from the field of business studies, the organizers encourage contributions from related disciplines, such as economics, geography, sociology, or business history.

Format

This will be an intensive two-day conference with concluding panels and outstanding key-note speakers. A maximum of 50 participants will be selected to guarantee a workshop atmosphere. The sessions combine paper presentations and discussions including interactive elements. The conference will take place at the Seminaris campus hotel. Reasonably priced accommodation will be available; there will be no conference fee. The organizers invite you to submit a paper by **October 15, 2013**. Please email your submission to pfadkolleg@wiwiss.fu-berlin.de. Proposals must be attached in rich text (rtf) or portable document format (pdf) and should include:

- a **full paper** of a maximum 9,000 words, including a 200-word abstract
- a separate sheet with **contact information**, including affiliation, e-mail, telephone, fax, and postal address of the author(s).

Conference Organizers

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Registration & Deadlines

Submission of papers October 15, 2013
Notification of authors November 15, 2013

For any inquiries and additional information please visit <http://www.pfadkolleg.de> or send us an e-mail at pfadkolleg@wiwiss.fu-berlin.de

The most recent publication of the Path Dependence Research Center: "Self-Reinforcing Processes in and among Organizations" (ed. by Sydow, J./Schreyögg, G.), London: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2013